

Preface to the IAUP-ICED Conference Proceedings

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An International Symposium on Higher Education was held in Tokyo on September 21, 1989. This gathering was jointly sponsored by two organizations, the Japan Commission (Chairman Isao Amagi) which was created for the symposium, and the National Institute of Multimedia Education. This international gathering was timed to coincide with two international conferences held in Japan, the International Association of University Presidents and the International Council for Educational Development. The National Institute of Multimedia Education became a co-sponsor of the symposium because it is one of the few research institutes in Japan engaged in the research and development of the future of higher education.

This publication is the proceedings of the conference organized against such an important background. It was very rare that so many researchers of higher education representing such a great variety of universities and world regions should have gathered together. The site was filled to capacity with upwards of 300 people. Listed elsewhere are the participants of the conference and members of the Japan Commission.

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